

CURRENT COMMENT

An expulsion of Polish subjects from Austria has begun. All classes alike are expelled.

Hog cholera has broken out in Illinois, and quite a number of hogs have died from the disease. One farmer who had one hundred head lost eighty-eight of them. Many other farmers make similar reports.

The American Minister at Brussels declined to interfere in the case of Chateaufort, who was arrested in connection with the murder of Mlle. Metel in Paris, and who claimed to be a naturalized American citizen.

A fatal disease is reported prevailing among the horses in the country near Shelbyville, Ill. William Carnes, a Shelbyville Township farmer, lost seven head. Prominent veterinarians pronounce the malady pericarditis.

A noteworthy phenomenon was recently reported from Callao, South America, where a loud report was heard proceeding from the sea and a large column of water was seen to rise. A similar occurrence was observed during the preceding week. From the situation of the spot this can only be ascribed to natural causes.

Four of the five excursion steamers of the Continental Steamboat Company, plying between Providence, R. I., and summer resorts on the river and bay, were seized by United States Marshal J. H. Coggeshall recently, libels having been filed against them by Thomas J. Fenner for running with more passengers than allowed by their licenses.

The Secretary of the Interior has decided that County Judges of Colorado may admit aliens to citizenship. There appeared to be a conflict between a section of the Federal statutes limiting this function to courts having a clerk and seal, and the Colorado statute authorizing the merging of the offices of judge and clerk in one person, but the Secretary holds that in these cases there is no conflict.

CHARLES CAMP, a wealthy farmer living near Macon, Ill., has donated to the Illinois Wesleyan University, of Bloomington, a farm of three hundred and sixty acres. The farm is located one mile south and one mile east of Macon, is finely improved, well watered, and estimated to be worth twenty-seven thousand dollars. Mr. and Mrs. Camp executed a warranty deed vesting the absolute title in the trustees of the University.

The *Current*, a weekly periodical first issued in Chicago December 22, 1883, has suspended. Its editor, Mr. Wakeman, says that the obligations of the *Current* amount to but a few hundred dollars, but in his efforts to attain the success which appeared almost assured, every dollar of his personal means has been sacrificed. The *Current* has been devoted entirely to literature of a good order and to unbiased discussion of the events of the day.

The case of the sixty paupers who were refused a landing at New York, but who subsequently landed at Halifax or some other Canadian port and made their way thence into the United States has been laid before the Treasury Department. Mr. Lyman, Chief of the Navigation Division, says there is no remedy; that the pauper immigrant law only applies to landing direct from a ship and is silent on the question of their coming by land. Congress will be asked to legislate on the subject.

One or more employment agencies of Chicago have advertised of late for large numbers of laborers to go to Manitoba to work on the Canadian Pacific Railway. It was stated that vast numbers of laborers had been shipped into that far-away region only to discover that it was impossible to procure work there. They declare that this shipping of laborers into that locality results only in great disappointment and distress to the victims of what they look upon as an organized swindle.

At the twelfth annual convention of the National Association of ex-Union Prisoners of War, held in Philadelphia recently, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. H. Longnecker, of Bedford, Pa.; First Vice President, L. F. Mack, of Sandusky, O.; Second Vice President, Henry Knapp, of Baltimore, Md.; Chaplain, Rev. Charles Decker, of Hartford, Conn.; Treasurer, Rev. G. A. Gosney, of Fremont, O. The next convention of the Association will be held at Buffalo, August 20 and 21, 1886.

WILLIAM FORMAN of New Orleans, went to Atlanta, Ga., the other day from Tallahassee for medical treatment. He tells a wonderful story, all of which has been substantiated. While climbing up the rocks at the side of the falls, his foot slipped and he fell, rolling down an incline of four hundred feet, and then falling over a precipice of three hundred and seventy feet. He fell into a soft marsh, and for more than thirty hours he remained where he fell, unable to move and almost too weak to call for assistance. At one time he saw the members of the rescuing party within thirty yards of him, but was unable to make himself heard. Fortunately, he fell near a small stream, and managed to obtain water by dipping his handkerchief into the water and then sucking it.

THE WORLD AT LARGE.

A Summary of the Daily News.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

CHARLES A. GARNER, a wealthy Baltimore merchant, died suddenly at the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, recently, under peculiar circumstances. Two bottles, one marked ammonia and the other valerian, were found in his room empty.

Mr. THEODORE FRIELINGHUYSEN, son of the late ex-Secretary of State, was married the other morning at Newport, R. I., to Miss Alice Coste, daughter of James Coste, of the firm of J. & P. Coste, of Scotland.

EX-GOVERNOR REUBEN E. FENTON, of New York, died suddenly at Jamestown on the 25th.

JOSEPH E. BOWEN, the oldest member of the country, having been installed sixty-eight years ago, died at Philadelphia, recently, aged ninety-four.

SENATOR LAMARCA received the Republican nomination for Governor of Iowa, at Des Moines, on the 27th, by acclamation, after an informal ballot giving Lamarca 708; Hull, 374.

MISCELLANEOUS.

On the night of the 24th a very heavy thunder storm, accompanied by a gale, prevailed throughout New England. It was exceedingly severe in Boston and suburbs. Many houses and other buildings were damaged by lightning.

The entire town of Wasserburg, Bavaria, was destroyed by fire recently. Over sixty business houses and two hundred dwellings were burned.

THERE were nineteen deaths from small-pox at Montreal on the 25th, being the largest number recorded since the outbreak of the disease.

It is estimated that the total amount of damage by the recent storm at Charleston, S. C., will reach \$2,000,000. Nearly every vessel in port and every house in the city was more or less injured.

The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics reports the total value of exports of domestic cattle and hogs and of beef, pork and dairy products as follows: July 1885, \$8,480,579; July 1884, \$10,278,049; seven months ended July 31, 1885, \$56,904,369; same months ended July 31, 1884, \$54,411,799; beef and pork products for the nine months ended July 31, 1885, \$67,008,092; beef and pork products for the same time in 1884, \$65,570,393; dairy products for the three months ended July 31, 1885, \$4,031,716; dairy products for the same time in 1884, \$3,624,500.

The strike of the employees of the Queen and Crescent system ended at Meridian, Miss., on the 25th, the men agreeing to accept their pay and quit the service of the company.

THERE were 4,939 new cases of cholera and 1,547 deaths reported in Spain on the 25th. The plague was thought to be gradually decreasing.

At the State encampment of the Knights of Pythias at Rocky River, near Cleveland, O., on the 25th, H. T. Sandman, of Chicago, and G. H. Farnam, of Covington, Ky., were drowned while bathing in Lake Erie.

The Georgia Legislature has formally received the records of the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Colony, which were presented to the State by John S. Morgan, of London.

The presentation speech was made in the House of Representatives by General John R. Gordon, and the records were received by Governor McDaniel, who made a short address.

The Italian brig Aragon, from Brunswick, Ga., was wrecked off the coast in the recent storm. The captain, his wife and nine of the crew were taken off the dismantled wreck by the brig Emma Ernst and brought to Savannah.

Texas was a terrible boiler explosion recently on the steamer Orgo at Trieste, Austria. Eight persons were killed and many injured.

Mr. CANNON, Comptroller of Currency at Washington, recently received a telegram from Bank Examiner Gelman, who is in charge of the City National Bank, of Fort Worth, Tex., reporting that the bank was unquestionably solvent, and would resume business in a few days.

The German flag, which was recently hoisted on the French island off the Victorian coast in the South Pacific, has been removed by order of Prince Bismarck at the request of France.

A HEST of counterfeiters was recently upset in St. Louis. One arrest was made. The gang was operating in Brazilian currency.

In the New Hampshire House consideration of the bill to establish the whipping post for wife beaters was indefinitely postponed by a vote of 175 to 55.

It was reported that Don Carlos had offered the Spanish Government the services of his army of 100,000 men to vindicate Spanish honor against Germany.

The total value of exports of breadstuffs from the United States was reported at Washington recently as follows: In July, 1885, \$8,714,305; in July, 1884, \$12,371,754; in the seven months ended July 31, 1885, \$56,558,982; in the seven months ended July 31, 1884, \$56,546,131.

THERE was a heavy frost at Stoughton, Va., on the night of the 25th. Grains and late corn were badly damaged.

THERE was a sudden increase in the cholera mortality at Marseilles on the 25th.

UNITED STATES MINISTER COX, in presenting his credentials at Constantinople on the 25th, assured the Sultan that the policy of the United States was not to interfere at all in the affairs of other countries.

This policy had been found most advantageous, and would be always maintained.

The Treasury Department was recently informed that a party of armed Cubans had left the island of Cuba for the Florida Keys, and it was supposed that their object was to organize filibustering expeditions to overthrow the Cuban Government. The party would be arrested on landing.

An earthquake shock was felt throughout the Canary Islands on the 27th. No damage was caused by it so far as reported.

A riot occurred recently among the soldiers stationed at Hermannstadt, Hungary, resulting in the death of one and the wounding of seventeen.

JUDAS McCUE, Solicitor of the Treasury, recently rendered a decision that the custom of giving Government employees thirty days leave of absence each year was an abuse that had grown up in the service, not authorized by any special provision of law.

Two policemen were found murdered recently at Geneva, Ill. The crime was supposed to have been committed by burglars whom they had surprised.

THE bodies were recovered from the ruins of the fireworks factory at Civita Vecchia, Italy.

A DISPATCH from Jackson, Miss., reports six passengers fatally injured in an accident on the Bayou Pierre Railroad. Three railroad men were killed. The train went through the Big Bayou Pierre bridge.

The Earl of Devon has offered to sell his tenants in Ireland their holdings under the provisions of the land purchase bill. The tenants will hold a meeting to consider the offer.

A RIOT took place at Bally Farrissey, Kildare, Ireland, consequent upon a mob resisting evictions.

A YOUNG man named Schank was recently mangled to death at Spokane, W. T., by getting his feet in a threshing machine.

The remains of the late Admiral Courbet were interred at the Invalides, Paris, on the 25th. The services at the grave were witnessed by a large crowd.

SIR ARTHUR, the English workman, assembled in London, recently, and adopted resolutions demanding that the Government assist them to emigrate.

BUTLER & PETERS saw-mill at Tallman, Mich., burned recently, together with a large stock of lumber and shingles. The loss was \$80,000; insured for \$30,000.

A TRAIN on the Georgia division of the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Railway was wrecked by running through an open switch near Rome, Ga., recently. Williams, a section hand, was instantly killed, and Engineer Powers, Fireman Bolos and Porter John Thomas seriously hurt.

AL LOCKIE, the murderer of six persons near Blanco, Tex., was taken from jail recently by a mob and hanged.

WILLIAM ROWARTH, dealer in hardware at Central City, Col., dry goods at Pueblo, and cattle in various parts of the State, was attached recently for \$12,000. The estimated liabilities are \$30,000; nominal assets, \$100,000; actual assets, unknown.

A THREATENED duel between Editor William G. Allen, of Athens, Ga., Donner-Wilkinson and Hon. R. A. Connelley, member of the Legislature from Decatur County, has been averted by the award of a board of arbitration. In the House at Atlanta Mr. Connelley withdrew his strictures on Mr. Gant and apologized.

FROM passengers arriving at El Paso, Tex., via the City of Mexico, it is learned that yellow fever at Vera Cruz has greatly increased during the last two weeks.

ACTING SECRETARY FAIRCHILD has rejected the offer of Julius A. Rhomborg to pay \$5,100 in compromise of judgments amounting to \$103,000, obtained on his distillers' bond in the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia seven years ago.

The bark Victor, which went ashore on Turtle beach, north of the Savannah (Ga.) quarantine station, was got off on the 25th, and was ordered by the health officers to Sapelo quarantine station. Her crew, numbering eleven, had all been sick with yellow fever, and five of them were just convalescent.

The Great Western Iron Boat Building Company, St. Louis, has filed a deed of assignment for the benefit of their creditors. The assets were listed at \$30,339; liabilities unknown.

It was reported in Madrid that Spanish men of war had arrived at Yap, the chief island of the Caroline group, and planted the Spanish flag, no German vessels being in sight.

REPORTS were received at army headquarters on the 25th that one of the principal losses had already moved his entire herd out of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe territory and that all others appeared to be moving as rapidly as possible.

THE business failures for week ended August 25 numbered, for the United States, 165; for Canada, 24; a total of 189; as compared with 177 the week previous.

TEXAS fever has appeared near Kankakee, Ill., amongst a herd of 200 cattle owned by Hiram Goodwin. Six have already died and many others are diseased.

THE other morning about three o'clock a west bound passenger passenger train on the Texas & St. Louis Railroad ran into a bull on the track. The entire train was derailed. Mrs. D. E. Hill, an aged lady, was fatally injured and several others were more or less hurt.

The Sheriff of Dauphin County, Pa., recently visited the Pennsylvania Railroad office and served upon several of its officers notice of the court's injunction restraining the consummation of the South Pennsylvania & Beach Creek Railroad transfer.

FOURTEEN lives were lost by the wreck of three Beaufort pilot boats, the T. W. Schoper, Walter Smith and John Stoddard, in the recent storm off South Carolina.

THREE persons were killed and several injured by the fall of a cliff the other day at the village of Dawlish, Devonshire, Eng. The boxing contest at Cincinnati on the 25th, between John L. Sullivan and Dominick McCaffrey, ended in the referee awarding the "honors" to Sullivan.

JERSEY R. GRANT sailed for London from New York on the 25th, en route for India, where he is engaged in a railroad enterprise under American auspices. He will be gone about two years. He was accompanied by Mrs. Grant.

THE Alaska Commercial Company's steamer St. Paul, which arrived recently at San Francisco from Ounakaska, brought 99,996 seal skins, valued at over \$1,000,000. Dr. Willis E. Everett, of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, was among the passengers.

The steamer Benefactor, of the New York & Wilmington line, Captain Teibon, outward bound from Wilmington, with a general cargo, went ashore on the inner Cape Fear (N. C.) bar, on the evening of the 25th and was likely to be lost.

A REDUCTION of one cent per pound in the freight rate on hops from the Pacific coast to Eastern points, has been made by all transcontinental roads. The old rate was three cents.

The railroad strike became very threatening at Galveston, Tex., on the 25th, when the Sheriff and posse turned some three hundred Knights of Labor out of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe route.

An excited crowd of Polish men and women in Chicago, recently hung in effigy one of their countrymen named Mulkowski, who had been arrested for the murder of a Mrs. Kleidick.

DURING a rainstorm at Walpole, Dak., recently, E. E. Redman's barn was struck by lightning, killing two men within and injuring two others.

The clearing house returns for week ended August 29 showed an average decrease of 0.8 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the decrease was 2.6.

A DISPATCH has been received stating that cholera has appeared at Nagasaki, Japan.

CHARLES FIELDS, an old man of eighty-five years, was recently swindled out of \$5,000 by bunko men at Atlantic City, N. J.

THE furniture factory of Garden, Holmes & Co., at 330-340 East Sixty-first street, New York, was burned the other morning.

Frederick John Egan, engine company No. 2, was killed by falling walls, and another fireman was injured. The loss was estimated at over \$100,000.

ACCOUNTS of the shooting of prisoners in Peru by order of General Canessa continue to arrive. In one instance the wife and children of an officer as well as the officer himself were shot.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

Second Kansas Veterans.

The following appeal has just been issued to the survivors of the Second Kansas: "Comrades of the 'Old Second,' do you remember how we were sent out on the 10th of August, at Wilson's Creek, you sprang to your feet on hearing the order to go like a bunch of wild horses to the front? And do you remember the almost with a single call, 'Second Kansas to the front!' and took the position which the brave General Logan had assigned us, on the deadly line of battle?"

To me it seems but yesterday, yet I have not met a dozen members of the old regiment since it disbanded.

I am anxious to meet the few survivors once more "to the front," and as I was the youngest soldier in the regiment, and perhaps in the army which took part in the battle of Wilson's Creek, I will prepare a special reunion of the old Second, to meet the second day (September 30) of our great reunion at Topeka, Kan., where once more we may live over the marches, battles and reminiscences of our historic regiment.

Will you please have the name and address of every surviving member of the regiment sent me forthwith, from which I will prepare a roster for the information of all concerned.

Will you have a headquarters tent at the camp ground to which you can report.

ROBERT A. FREDERICK.
TOPEKA, KAN., August 25, 1885.

Miscellaneous.

WESTERN Kansas is improving rapidly. Reports are that in some localities farmers are complaining of damage to their corn from the ravages of the wireworm.

It works in the tender roots of the stalks, causing them to fall down, thereby depriving the corn of ability to mature its ears. It works in all kinds of land, but the most damage is on clay soils. A practical farmer, who has studied the habits of this worm, says its ravages can be greatly mitigated by a rotation of crops; that is, sow oats or wheat on this year's corn ground, and corn on wheat the next year.

This worm is always found to be most numerous in fields of corn that have raised the same crop year after year for a number of years.

The Governor has appointed Captain George W. Ashby, of Leavenworth, Assistant Commissioner of the North, Central and South American Exposition, to be held at New Orleans November 10, 1885 to April 1, 1886.

WILLIAM H. TOWN, a boy about nine years old, was run over and killed by the cars at Wichita the other day.

The county seat war in Pratt County has been unusually warm.

Post-office changes in Kansas for the week ended August 22: Established—Dell, Lyon County, Beniah E. Brower, Postmaster; Fondoy, Ford County, Lindon E. Hildard, Postmaster; Harwardville, Seward County, William A. Gillum, Postmaster; Ivanhoe, Finney County, C. A. Nafziger, Postmaster; St. Joseph, Cloud County, Louis P. Poston, Postmaster; Sugar, Miami County, John W. White, Postmaster; Tokono, Pratt County, William A. Quillen, Postmaster; Upton, Phillips County, William D. Bovey, Postmaster; Wittrop, Hodgeman County, Julius Wittrop, Postmaster. Name changed—Butler, Washington County, to Ardale. Postmasters Appointed—Cimarron, Greenwood County, Samuel Holmes; Dunlap, Morris County, Charles E. Hild; Havana, Montgomery County, Thomas R. Pittman; Key West, Coffey County, T. H. Hinchaw; Nortonville, Jefferson County, J. B. Brown; South Cedar, Jackson County, William L. Munn; Williamsburg, Franklin County, Hewitt Craig.

KEUBEN GILMORE was recently arrested at Topeka for attempting to trade wives and children by the name of Stevenson, in Oregon. Gilmore left his own wife in Oregon and struck out for Topeka, taking Stevenson's wife with him. This arrangement did not meet the views of the wife of the latter followed him to Topeka, where he had opened an office for dealing out peanuts, and had him juggled.

JERRY HANCOCK, a miner, was instantly killed at Weir City the other afternoon. He was in the act of putting a loaded car on the cage at the bottom of the shaft, when the dumper at the top rang for the engineer to hoist before the bell had been rung from below, and in attempting to jump off his head was caught and crushed. He was a German, and leaves a wife and children.

E. N. O. CLOUGH, Vice President for Kansas of the National Association of Mexican War Veterans at Leavenworth, has issued an invitation to all comrades reciting the fact that the National reunion comes off at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 16th and 17th of September, 1885, and in making arrangements for transportation of such comrades to attend it is necessary that he should know who and how many intend to attend, as rates will depend very much on how many go. All will, therefore, inform him whether they desire to attend or not, and if they desire taking ladies. He is getting reduced rates from Leavenworth City for all who desire to attend. Parties wishing to go should make their arrangements to leave on the evening of the 14th of the 15th. This will bring them to Indianapolis on the evening of the 15th, so as to be present at the opening exercises on the 16th.

Less than three months ago the town of Meade Center was started with but one house within the town limits. It is now a booming town of nearly one hundred and fifty houses, with a population of about five hundred souls.

ARTICLES of incorporation of the Anthony, Atchita & Northwestern Railroad Company were filed recently. The purpose for which the company is formed is to construct and operate a railroad of standard gauge, commencing at Anthony, Harney county, and extending to northeast through the counties of Barber, Kingman, Pratt, Edwards, Stafford, Pawnee, Hodgeman, Rush, Ness, Lane, Gove, Trego, and St. John, to the town of Wallace.

According to the records of the State Historical Society there are twenty-seven daily papers published in Kansas.

CHEKOKKE wants a mill.

CHARTERS recently filed with the Secretary of State: The Vista Town Company, of Clark County. The object for which this company is formed is to purchase and lay out a town site and to sell the same in subdivisions. The capital stock is \$10,000; the Union Home Protective Association, of Harvey County. The object for which this company is formed is to protect its members from thieves by immediately turning out in a body and hunting for the stolen property; Wichita Encampment No. 29, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Wichita, Sedgewick County; Hoyt Methodist Church, of Hoyt, Jackson County.

DIPHTHERIA is said to be quite prevalent at Topeka.

MR. CALDWELL, of Leavenworth, is a quarryman and uses dynamite cartridges for blasting rock. He has been in the habit of laying them carelessly about the house, which gave the children an opportunity to get hold of them. Mr. Caldwell's seven-year-old son obtained one of these cartridges and in company with another boy who had some matches, went to the stable in the rear of the residence for the purpose of having a good time by setting off the dynamite cartridge. The result was an explosion which came near killing the boy and will render him a cripple for life.

MUCH sickness is said to exist in the Reform School at Topeka. It is of a typhoid-malarial character.

KANSAS CLAIMANTS.

Correspondence Relating to the Adjustment of Claims for Losses by Indian Depredations.

TOPEKA, KAN., August 27.—The following correspondence, concerning the claims of citizens of Kansas for losses occasioned by Indian invasions explains itself and will be of interest to many of the people of this State. It will be seen that, under date of July 19, 1885, Governor Martin addressed a letter to Hon. S. J. Crawford, the State's agent at Washington, calling attention to these claims, and asking him to ascertain what steps had been taken to secure their adjustment and payment. The Governor's letter was referred to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, who, under date of August 28, 1885, replied. The letter of the Commissioner and that of ex-Governor Crawford furnish information to claimants as to the steps necessary to secure the adjustment and payment of their claims. The correspondence is, therefore, of public interest and is furnished for publication. The letters are as follows:

STATE OF KANSAS, EXECUTIVE DEPT.,
Hon. S. J. Crawford, Topeka, Kan.

DEAR SIR: Under chapter 125, Session Laws of 1878, the Commissioner was appointed to investigate certain losses sustained by the citizens of Kansas, by reason of an invasion of the Cheyennes in 1878. This commission made its report under the law, and the claims allowed and audited by it were transmitted to the proper authorities in Washington.

Recently I have had several letters making inquiries concerning these claims, but have been unable to inform the persons making such inquiries what progress had been made towards an adjustment and payment of said claims by the General Government. Will you please inform me what steps have been taken in this matter toward securing an allowance of these claims, and what prospect there is of their ultimate payment. Yours, very respectfully,
JOHN A. MARTIN.

WASHINGTON, August 21, 1885.
Hon. John A. Martin, Topeka, Kan.

SIR: Your letter of the 19th ultimo was received in due time and referred to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, whose reply I herewith inclose.

As will be observed from the Commissioner's letter, Congress, at its last session, directed the Commissioner to make a list of the claims of the Interior to cause a list of the same to be prepared, and to be made and presented to Congress. This will doubtless be followed at the proper time by an appropriation for the payment of such claims as may be approved by the Secretary and Commissioner.

Many of the claims on file were doubtless established to the satisfaction of the State Board, but whether the evidence submitted there will be sufficient to satisfy United States authorities is a matter of some doubt. The probability is that not all the claims will be reduced in amount and others disallowed entirely. It is therefore imperative that all claimants should put themselves in communication either with the Commissioner or some attorney here who will attend to the matter for them. Truly yours,
S. J. CRAWFORD.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
WASHINGTON, August 20, 1885.

Hon. S. J. Crawford, Topeka, Kan.

SIR: I am in receipt by your reference of a letter dated 19th ultimo, from Governor Martin, asking me to make inquiries regarding claims of citizens of said State, on account of depredations alleged to have been committed by hostile Indians, and to reply thereto. I have to inform you that four hundred and fifty claims on account of depredations by hostile Indians, committed upon citizens of Kansas between the years 1860 and 1871, were examined and reported upon by a Commission authorized by an act of the Legislature of Kansas, approved March 27, 1872, and transmitted to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior under date March 1874. By Hon. D. W. Wilder, State Auditor of Kansas, said claims aggregating the sum of \$42,812.34. At the request of Hon. J. M. Smith, Chairman of Committee of Claims, House of Representatives, said claims were transmitted to Congress January 21, 1875, without any action taken by this committee.

Under Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, of the laws of 1875, (State of Kansas), a Commission was appointed by the Governor to examine and audit claims for losses sustained by citizens of Kansas by reason of depredations of Indians during the year 1875. Said Commission reported upon one hundred and sixteen claims, recommended the allowance of \$1,766.30, and disallowed twenty-six claims "for want of evidence or because not provided for by the act creating the Commission."

In the act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Interior Department, approved June 30, 1880, \$10,000 was appropriated for the investigation of uncertain Indian depredation claims; and in extending such appropriation, approved March 3, 1881, the Secretary of the Interior said cause a complete list of all claims heretofore filed in the Interior Department, and which have been approved in whole or in part, and now remain unpaid, and also all such claims as are pending and not yet examined, on behalf of the citizens of the State of Kansas, to be made and approved, and the Secretary is authorized and empowered, before making such report, to cause such additional investigation to be made and such further testimony to be taken as he may deem necessary to enable him to determine the kind and value of all property damaged or destroyed by reason of the depredations aforesaid, and by what tribe such depredations were committed; and his report shall include his determination as to the validity of each claim, together with the names and residences of all claimants, and the amount claimed, and also what funds are now existing or to be derived by reason of treaty or other obligation on the part of the United States, and in accordance with said law, a cursory examination of a number of the four hundred and fifty claims referred to has been made, and it is found that the declarations in a majority of the claims are not prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department, approved July 11, 1872 (copy herewith), in the evidence in support of the same in accordance therewith. If claimants will place themselves in communication with this office, instructions will be furnished to enable them to prepare their claims in accordance with said rules and regulations, and they may be acted upon without unnecessary delay. The Governor's letter is herewith returned. Very respectfully,
A. B. UPSHAW, Acting Commissioner.

Montana Cattle Interests.

HELENA, MONT., August 26.—A convention of the stock growers of Montana opened here to-day. There is a large attendance. The object of the gathering is to take steps to have the quarantine laws of the Territory withdrawn or modified. The decrease of east-bound shipments in this Territory this season was twenty-eight thousand head, 20 per cent, which in a few years promises to kill the cattle industry of Montana.

Bradleigh's Trial.

LONDON, August 27.—Charles Bradleigh, Radical member for Parliament for Northampton, has issued a manifesto to the electors of that place requesting that they pay him a similar honor to that shown by the electors of Middlesex to John Wilkes, who, more than a century ago, although declared outlawed and imprisoned, for certain seditious and obscene publications published by him, was returned to Parliament several times, notwithstanding his seat was refused him, and was otherwise honored by that county. Wilkes was considered a martyr in the cause of liberty and became the idol of the people at large.

The Third Victim Dead.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., August 26.—Police Officer Fred Gall, the third victim of the triple tragedy enacted here last Sunday evening, in which Leonard Gardner shot Officers Gall and W. J. Camp, fatally wounding both, and being himself shot to his reward on the spot by five shots fired by Officer Camp after he had received a wound's bullet through his heart. Died this morning at 3:20 o'clock, after thirty-six hours of intense suffering. The indignation of the citizens is great, but the author of the terrible tragedy is beyond the pale of human vengeance, and the public is saved the spectacle of a hanging by an infatuated mob.

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